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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New Application of )  
JAAKKO VILO ) Application Division  
Serial No. )  
Filed: September 11, 2000 )  
For: APPARATUS FOR REMOVING )  
MATERIAL FROM PRESSURISED )  
SPACE )

Box PCT - Attention: DO/EO/US  
Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before calculation of the filing fee and examination of the  
above-identified application, please amend the above-noted  
application as follows:

In The Claims:

Claim 7, line 1, strike "any of the preceding claims" and  
insert --claim 1 or claim 2--.

REMARKS

Claim 7 has been modified to make the claim properly